



REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF WAIVER OF 19 TAC §129.12 AND APPROVAL OF VGO AUDIO-VIDEO COMMUNICATION SYSTEM FOR INSTRUCTIONAL TIME FOR FOUNDATION SCHOOL PROGRAM FUNDING PURPOSES

19 Texas Administrative Code §129.21 requires a student be on campus during official attendance taking time and records must be maintained to reflect the average daily attendance for allocation for FSP funds. ECISD would like to request the waiver of TAC § 129.21 and utilize remote learning with the VGo Audio-Video communication device.

VGo is utilized for students who cannot physically go to school due to an illness, accident or medical condition. ECISD has six devices that could be used with any student whose 504 Committee determine is appropriate. VGo allows the student to get back to the traditional schooling environment by providing a physical device, which allows them to attend class from home or the hospital. It operates in real-time by the student (not the teacher or an aide) so they feel empowered with their independence and education. VGo enables students to:

- Receive the same instruction as their peers
- Move around/between classrooms independently
- Participate in a full school day with their classmates